

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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July 01, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, California 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

**ADOPTED** 

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

22 July 1, 2014

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

AUTHORIZE THE COUNTY PURCHASING AGENT TO PROCEED WITH THE ACQUISITION OF MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT (ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

#### **SUBJECT**

This action authorizes the acquisition of two maintenance equipment items for the Department of Public Works.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Approve and authorize the acquisition of two maintenance equipment items with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

We are requesting Board approval to proceed with the acquisition of two maintenance equipment items as noted in the enclosure, which includes the item number, description, financial information, and justification for each maintenance equipment item. These equipment items are essential to support disaster response, channels, debris basins, and vegetation management. These equipment items will also comply with and meet Air Quality Management District standards.

# <u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Integrated Service Delivery (Goal 3). This action will enable the Department of Public Works to

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continue to provide County residents with enhanced, responsive, and efficient maintenance services.

# FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The cost for this acquisition is estimated to be \$600,000. Financing is included in the Department of Public Works Fiscal Year 2013-14 Internal Service Fund Capital Assets- Equipment Budget.

# FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On October 16, 2001, the Board adopted a policy whereby County departments must obtain Board approval to purchase equipment with a unit cost of \$250,000 or greater prior to submitting their requisitions for purchasing.

# **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

In accordance with Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, approval of the recommended action does not constitute a project and, therefore, is not subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act.

# **CONTRACTING PROCESS**

This is a commodity purchase under the statutory authority of the County Purchasing Agent. The purchase will be requisitioned through and accomplished by the Internal Services Department in accordance with the County's purchasing policies and procedures.

# **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Approval of this request will enable the Department of Public Works to replace outdated maintenance equipment with modern, alternative fuel, and low emission equipment to provide critical maintenance services to County residents. Public Works will replace two on-road vehicles with compressed natural gas-powered vehicles.

#### CONCLUSION

Please return three adopted copies of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Fleet Management Division.

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Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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**Enclosures** 

c: Chief Executive Office (Rita Robinson)

County Counsel Executive Office

# **ENCLOSURE**

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS FISCAL YEAR 2013-14 EQUIPMENT PURCHASES AT \$250,000 AND ABOVE

| ITEM NO. | DESCRIPTION  | BUDGETED            | JUSTIFICATION  |
|----------|--|---------------------|--|
|          |  | AMOUNT              |  |
| 1-2      | Truck, Dump, 10 Yard<br>Rock Body and Water Tight Bed<br>Items 14-530R and 14-533R | \$300,000<br>(each) | These replacement units are an essential part of flood maintenance and will provide services in debris removal and sediment removal on Public Works flood control concrete channels and debris basins. They will also transport various equipment and supplies. This ensures surrounding communities are safe during and after major storm events. |
|          | Total Amount:  | \$600,000           |  |